

## STATE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL

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## **Mechanical Code Technical Advisory Group Meeting Review Notes for December 9, 2021**

**TAG Members Present**: Caroline Traube, TAG Chair; Nancy Bernard; Tom Jensen; Mike Lubliner / Jonathan Jones (Alternate); Chris McCarthy; Mark Raebel; Andrea Smith; Brandon Stock; Jeff Yirak

TAG Members Absent: Valerie Graber, Ken Kiker

Visitors Present: Angela Haupt, Barry Jostol, Larry Andrews, Terry Beals, Joel Rasmussen

Staff: Stoyan Bumbalov, Krista Braaksma, John McEntyre, Serena Grimes

| Agenda Items  | TAG Actions   |  |  |
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| Welcome and Introductions   | The meeting was called to order at 10 a.m. Roll was called, and introductions made. Tom Jensen announced he would be retiring in the new year and introduced Angela Haupt as his likely replacement.  |  |  |
| 2. Review and Approve Agenda  | The agenda was approved as written.   |  |  |
| 3. Timeline and Outline of the Adoption Process and TAG Role and Expectations | Caroline reviewed the tasks ahead of the TAG, outlining the three main deliverables expected of the TAG: the existing amendments report, the significant changes report, and the TAG proposal recommendation report. The first two reports will need to be completed in January; the third will be due after the code change submittal deadline, sometime in late spring or summer 2022. This TAG will be reviewing the 2021 International Mechanical Code, the mechanical and fuel gas chapters of the 2021 International Residential Code, and the 2021 International Fuel Gas Code. The TAG will also be looking at legislative mandates regarding refrigerants and reducing greenhouse gas emissions from fluorinated gases.  The TAG meeting schedule and the Bylaws governing the TAG can be found on the Council's website, along with other pertinent information.  Please also remember to not use "reply all" when responding to email requests or information from staff, and don't send email out to all members. All correspondence should go through staff. |  |  |

| Resources Available for TAG     Members | See attachments below for links to the various ICC code documents available, along with links to the state amendments and legislation. Staff will send each member the redline version of the chapters assigned for their review, along with the applicable portions of the ICC Significant Changes publication. Staff also has available the 2021 Complete Revision History, with details and rationale of the ICC code changes. |
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| 5. Task Assignments                     | See chart, below.   |
| 6. Review of Existing State Amendments  | Krista took the TAG through the IMC and IFGC existing amendments and how they were impacted by changes for the 2021 model code. These should also be integrated into the chapter review summaries to be analyzed with the other changes to the model codes.   |
| 7. Review Meeting Schedule              | See Task Assignments chart, below, for an anticipated schedule of upcoming meetings. The proposal change review schedule will be set in the spring, after the completion of the proposal submittal period.  |
| 8. Adjourn                              | The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.   |

## **TASK ASSIGNMENTS**

Note: assignments include both Existing Amendments AND Significant Changes

| IMC Chapters                         |      | TAG Member<br>Volunteers |         | Likely<br>Meeting Date |
|--------------------------------------|------|--------------------------|---------|------------------------|
| 1: Scope & Admin                     |      | Jeff                     |         | Dec 16                 |
| 2: Definitions                       |      | Andrea                   |         | Dec 16                 |
| 3: General Regulations               |      | Andrea                   |         | Dec 16                 |
| 4: Ventilation                       | Mike | Tom                      | Nancy   | Jan 6                  |
| 5: Exhaust Systems                   | Mike | Tom                      | Nancy   | Jan 6                  |
| 6: Duct Systems                      |      | Tom                      | Nancy   | Jan 6                  |
| 7: Combustion Air                    |      | Mark                     |         | Dec 16                 |
| 8: Chimneys & Vents                  |      | Mark                     |         | Dec 16                 |
| 9: Spec Appliances, Fireplaces, Etc. |      | Mark                     |         | Dec 16                 |
| 10: Boilers, Water Heaters, Etc.     |      | Chris                    | Brandon | Dec 16                 |
| 11: Refrigeration                    |      | Jeff                     | Brandon | Dec 16                 |
| 12: Hydronic Piping                  |      | Chris                    |         | Dec 16                 |
| 13: Fuel Oil Piping & Storage        |      | Staff                    |         | Dec 16                 |
| 14: Solar Thermal                    |      | Mike                     | Brandon | Dec 16                 |
| 15: Referenced Standards             |      | Staff                    |         | Dec 16                 |

| IRC Chapters                        | TAG Member<br>Volunteers |         | Likely<br>Meeting Date |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------|------------------------|
| 12: Mech Admin                      | Jeff                     |         | Jan 6                  |
| 13: General Mech Sys Req's          |                          | Mike    | Jan 6                  |
| 14: Htg & Clg Equip & Appliances    | Jeff                     | Mike    | Jan 6                  |
| 15: Exhaust Systems                 | Nancy                    | Mike    | Jan 6                  |
| 16: Duct Systems                    | Nancy                    |         | Jan 6                  |
| 17: Combustion Air                  | Nancy                    |         | Jan 13                 |
| 18: Chimneys & Vents                | Staff                    |         | Jan 13                 |
| 19: Special Appliances, Equip, Etc. | Andrea                   |         | Jan 13                 |
| 20: Boilers & Water Heaters         | Chris                    | Brandon | Jan 13                 |
| 21: Hydronic Piping                 | Chris                    |         | Jan 13                 |
| 22: Special Piping & Storage, Etc.  | Staff                    |         | Jan 13                 |
| 23: Solar Thermal                   | Mike                     | Brandon | Jan 13                 |
| 24: Fuel Gas                        | Valerie                  |         | Jan 13                 |
| IFGC Chapters                       | TAG Member<br>Volunteers |         | Likely<br>Meeting Date |
| Chapters 1-8                        | Valerie                  |         | Jan 13                 |

## **Attachments**

**Chapter Review Worksheet Template** (Word Document)

Staff Existing Amendment Report

2021 International Mechanical Code

2021 International Fuel Gas Code

2021 International Residential Code

Washington State Amendments can be found at either:

https://sbcc.wa.gov/state-codes-regulations-guidelines/state-building-code or https://app.leg.wa.gov/wac/default.aspx?cite=51